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Dr. J. B. Lawrence Resigns Effective End Of 1953



DR. J. B. LAWRENCE
Atlanta, Ga. —(PP)—Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, has resigned to become the emeritus secretary at the end of 1953: Dr. Lawrence, who will be 80 next July, submitted his resignation to the annual Board meeting December 3.

In accepting the resignation, the Board went on record as recommending to the Board which will be in power at the next annual meeting, that Dr. Lawrence request be granted by electing him secretary emeritus and that he "work in connection with the radio program of the Board and as a writer."

Dr. Lawrence's resignation will be effective in either November or December 1953 when date of the meeting has been fixed.

Dr. Dick H. Hall, Jr., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Decatur, Ga., was elected chairman of the committee to nominate a successor. Other members of the committee are O. M. Seigler and George W. Sparks, Atlanta; J. C. Wilkinson, Athens, Ga.; J. Ralph Grant, Texas; Hugh R. Bumpas, Oklahoma; Claude Ammerman, Alabama; James T. Horton, Louisiana; and Frank Brasington, D. C.

Dr. Lawrence became executive secretary of the Home Board in 1929 when it had a debt of two million dollars and only 106 missionaries. The debt was retired in 1943 and the missionary personnel has increased to a grand total of 912, plus 362 summer student-workers. The Board has its offices here in a million dollar building, most of which is rented commercially. Retirement of the construction debt will provide income for all administrative salaries.

G. Frank Garrison, Atlanta layman, was re-elected president of the Board. Dr. W. A. Duncan, At-

lanta, was re-elected vice president and Mrs. Ralph B. Smith, Decatur, was re-elected recording secretary.

In addition to Dr. Lawrence, others re-elected for 1953 included Dr. Courts Redford as assistant secretary.

Leadership Conferences Will Feature Missions, Stewardship, Brotherhood

BY CHESTER L. QUARLES
Executive Secretary

Missions, Stewardship and Brotherhood, three vital themes, basic to all our work, will be the primary points of emphasis when the third annual series of Leadership Conferences and Brotherhood Rallies get under way Jan. 5.

Featuring outstanding speakers and a challenging program this year's conferences are calculated to make a tremendous impact on Mississippi Baptist life and work for 1953 and even for the years to come.

Special emphasis will be placed this year on getting out the church leadership to attend the conferences.

These leaders include the pastor, the deacons, treasurers, finance committee members, Sunday School superintendents, Training Union directors, W. M. U. presidents, music directors, educational directors and other leaders.

Special recognition will be given to every church this year that has the following present: Pastor, Treasurer, S. S. Supt., T. U. director, W. M. U. president, Brotherhood president and chairman of Deacons, or all of the above that the church has.

16,693 Baptisms During The Past Convention Year

A total of 16,693 baptisms were recorded by Mississippi churches the past convention year, ending Oct. 31, according to figures just compiled and released by Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, Director of Evangelism.

Eight associations were 100%, meaning that every church in the association reported at least one baptism.

Thirty-one associations reported an increase in baptisms over the (Continued On Page Nine)

Rev. J.R. Davis Named Convention Board Head

Marion Perry Vice President, Gordon Sansing, Secretary

Kermit King Is Training Union Secretary

JACKSON, Miss.—Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor of First Church of New Albany, was elected president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board in its annual business meeting Monday afternoon at the Baptist Building here, succeeding Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., of Hattiesburg.

Other officers elected were: Marion Perry, layman of Philadelphia, vice president; Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor Broadmoor Church of Jackson, secretary; and Rev. C. O. Estes, pastor Center Terrace Church of Canton, assistant secretary.

Mississippi Baptists will have beginning January 1, for the first time in 35 years a new Baptist Training Union secretary in the person of Kermit S. King of Columbia, S. C. Now associate secretary of the Baptist Training Union Department of that state.

Kermit King, BTU Secretary
He will succeed Auber J. Wilks of Oxford and Jackson, who will retire January 1, long a familiar figure in Mississippi Baptist life.

He has been the only Training Union secretary Mississippi has ever had and with one exception has held this position longer than any other person in a similar capacity in the Southern Baptist Convention.

In 1947-48 the state convention honored him by electing him as its president.

Mr. King, the new secretary elected at the Monday afternoon session gave his formal acceptance Monday night.

He is a layman, a graduate of

Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn. and holds the degree of Master of Religious Education from Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

Elected to the important Executive Committee, in addition to the above three were: Rev. James Fairchild of Louisville, Rev. A. B. Pierce of Kosciusko, Rev. J. B. Smith of Magee, Rev. Var Hardin of Lucedale, Dr. Wilbern Lawrence of Meridian, and Kermit Coker of Water Valley.

The Board adopted an initial Cooperative Program appropriation of \$161,673 for 1952-53 and set the following division for distributable state Cooperative Program funds: Christian education 29 per cent, state missions 20 per cent, Mississippi Baptist Orphanage 3 per cent, ministerial education 2 per cent, Mississippi Baptist Hospital 2 per cent. (Continued On Page Two)

Evangelism Department Makes Recommendations

BY C. E. WILBANKS
Director of Evangelism

To win the unsaved and to re-enlist in church membership the unaffiliated Baptists, or the absentee members, the Convention adopted the report on Evangelism which carried three enabling recommendations. The recommendations are printed here, that all who are concerned might know and begin to make plans for success.

"Three recommendations are made:

1. "That with increased zeal and full scale participation, we again conduct for absentee or non-resident members—a transfer church membership week in September, 1953.

2. "That we grasp the opportunity and see the evangelistic possibilities (Continued On Page Two)



Shown above are the officers elected by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. They are left to right, standing: Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary; Marion Perry, vice-president; Rev. C. O. Estes, assistant secretary. Left to right, sitting: Rev. J. R. Davis, president and Rev. Gordon Sansing, secretary.

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Rev. J. R. Davis

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cent and Mississippi Baptist Foundation 1½ per cent, making a total of 57½ per cent.

The remaining 42½ per cent of the Cooperative Program dollar goes to southwide and worldwide causes.

Schools Get 29 Per Cent

The 29 percent allocated to Christian education goes to Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain; Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg; Clarke Memorial College, Newton; Mississippi College, Clinton and the School of Nursing, Baptist Hospital, Jackson.

The 20 per cent allocated to state missions is administered by the State Convention Board, Jackson, and provides for the program of state missions.

The 2 per cent set aside for ministerial education is administered by the board of ministerial education in the form of aid to ministerial students.

The 17 committees of the Board met simultaneously Monday night preparing reports to be made to the Board when it met Tuesday morning.

Several new members were seated at the opening session Monday afternoon.

The Board is composed of 75 members, one from each association in the state.

Dr. Quarles Unanimous Choice

Dr. Chester L. Quarles was unanimously re-elected as Executive Secretary as was J. E. Lane, treasurer. All other departmental heads were re-elected.

\$23,000 was allocated for associational missions to be used in 26 associations, \$7500 was allocated for pastoral aid to churches unable to support a pastor without outside help. Thirty-eight churches were allocated various amounts.

The Board voted to name a committee to study the question of erecting a fire-proof building at Mississippi College to house the Mississippi Baptist historical collection there. The committee will report to the Mississippi Baptist Convention which meets in November 1953. The same action was taken concerning an encampment program for Mississippi Baptists.

January 25, 1953 was named as American Bible Society Sunday. At that time all Baptist churches will be urged to take a special offering for the work of the American Bible Society.

In view of the serious need of several aged pastors and widows of pastors who died before the inauguration of the Ministers Retirement Plan, the Board voted to urge every church to take a special offering for aged ministers relief.

Dick D. Quinn and Company was elected auditors for the 1953 audit.

The Board adopted an enlarged regular State mission budget of \$214,554 and took a strong stand

on the matter of temperance, including \$7,750 allocated to the Mississippi United Dry Association and the temperance committee.

The new state mission budget is approximately \$22,000 larger than last year's budget and includes funds for mission work among the Negro, Indian, and Chinese races.

The Board adopted the report of its temperance committee of which Rev. J. B. Smith of Magee is chairman.

Other allocations include \$2000 for the purchase of a lot adjacent to Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, for the future erection of a Baptist Student Center.

Forty-two churches were granted building aid, 38 pastors were granted pastoral aid, 26 associations were allocated associational mission aid and 17 local B. S. U. secretaries were granted salary supplements.

Funds were also allocated for work at the state Sanatorium, servicemen's aid at Keesler Field, Biloxi, and the state Historical Society, Clinton.

Thirteen state mission field workers were re-elected, including Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, Rev. Joe Abrams, Charles W. Horner, W. R. Roberts, E. C. Williams, W. C. Morgan, Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Miss Edwina Robinson, Rev. Paul Boothe, Miss Carolyn Madison, Miss Louise Hill, Miss Nelle Taylor and Joel D. Ray.

Budgets were established for the various departments including Evangelism, Promotion, Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, W. M. U., Rural Church Work, Music, and B. S. U.

Five permanent committees were appointed by President J. R. Davis as follows:

Negro Work: Rev. A. B. Pierce, chairman, Rev. Dan Morten, Dr. Wilbur Smith, Dr. R. A. Tullos, and Dr. John Barnes.

Social Service: Dr. W. A. Keel, chairman; Rev. Carmon Savell, Dr. Cecil W. Jones, Rev. Joe Hudson, and Rev. K. Z. Stevens.

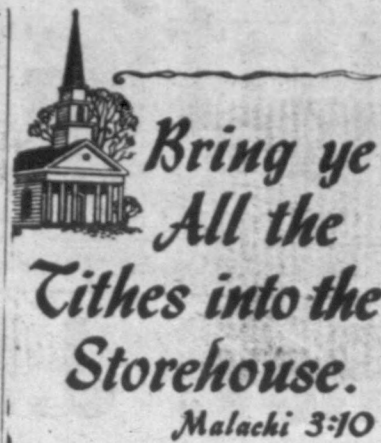
Assembly: Paul Townsend, chairman; Rev. Zeon Wells, Rev. Gordon Sansing, Rev. Roy Collum, K. R. Cofer.

Temperance: Rev. J. B. Smith, Rev. C. M. Day, Rev. J. T. Tolar, Rev. B. L. Mohon, Dr. Wilbern Lawrence.

Committee on Board Organization: Dr. W. C. Fields, chairman; Rev. C. O. Estes, Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Rev. C. H. Cutrell, Rev. M. Glen Smith.

The Christian Education Commission, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, chairman, in its report, announced a second \$16,000 preferred item allocation to Blue Mountain College, to care for a fire loss of several years ago.

The Commission also announced that the same percentages of distribution of Christian Education funds to the various colleges and school of nursing would be the same as the past year.



Points for Emphasis (\$75) a pocket commentary on the International Bible lessons for Christian Teaching Uniform Series, 1953, has recently been released by the Broadman Press. The author is Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Mr. Allen succeeds Dr. H. C. Moore as the author of this commentary. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

The Baptist Record office has received a beautifully bound copy of the Zion Association minutes. The next session of the association will meet with the Fellowship and Lollar's Grove churches, September 23, 24 respectively.

Evangelism Department
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bilities in the Sunday School movement in the nation to "enroll a million more in '54", and give whole hearted participation.

3. "That we follow through with a state-wide simultaneous crusade of revivals in Mississippi in 1955, in cooperation with the Baptist plan for the three zoned simultaneous revival crusades to cover the United States, Panama and Cuba, March 6-April 25, 1955. The counties crossed by Highway 80 and those counties south of Highway 80 to be in the Southern zone. Revival time, March 6-20, 1955.

Those counties North of the counties crossed by Highway 80 will be in the Middle zone. Revival time, March 27-April 10, 1955.

No recommendation was made, or passed, that as many associations as possible conduct simultaneous revivals in 1953. Our acceptance of, and adherence to, the Southern Baptist Program of Evangelism commits us to such program for each association every year.

A letter from Rev. A. R. Miller whose address is Rt. 1, Bay Springs states that he is available for pastoral work.

Bolton Resigns SBC Foundation

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Dr. Charles H. Bolton, executive secretary for the Southern Baptist Foundation, has resigned to become pastor of the Avon Park Baptist Church in Avon Park, Fla. Dr. Bolton has been with the Foundation since 1949. Before that he served Florida churches as pastor and was for a number of years state secretary for Florida Baptists.

Mrs. G. L. Kean sends in a real nice list of 19 Baptist Record subscriptions for Chester church in Choctaw county. Lists like this really help keep the circulation growing.

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Board Members Serve Sacrificially

The 74 Convention Board members deserve the thanks of every Baptist in Mississippi. They have to grapple with serious and difficult problems, hear many requests, and make many important decisions in order that our Mississippi Baptist life and work may continue to grow and prosper. Few people who have not served on the board realize the importance as well as the time expended by board members.

The members serve without remuneration, receiving only expenses. They give approximately two full days out of their busy life for each meeting. In addition to the regular full board meetings which usually last two days, committee meetings are held at night, many times lasting far into the night. And some committees meet two or three times during the year. All of this is a labor of love. But they seem to love it. Because of this their leadership has been reflected in a favorable light in all of our work.

The recent Board meeting was one of the most harmonious and constructive that has been held in a long time.

For ourselves and for Mississippi Baptists we say to the board, "Thank you."

Catholics Are Wise

We do not agree with everything that the Catholics do. And, no doubt, they do not agree with everything that we do. But we do commend them for their far-sightedness in financing a nationwide advertising program. Probably many of our readers quite often see an advertisement in one of the national magazines concerning some Catholic doctrine. We recall one in which they made the claim that the Bible is a Catholic book. A recent one was captioned "The Real Secret of a Successful Marriage."

We are not here discussing the merits of those ads. Regardless of the merits or demerits of the ads, you cannot ignore the fact that more than a million inquiries have been received and 94,723 have been enrolled for Roman Catholic instruction by mail.

According to press reports, the Knights of Columbus, the sponsors, have increased next year's appropriation to \$750,000 to step up the advertising program.

Baptists also have a great story to tell. We have some doctrines that are soul-satisfying. Thousands of people who never darken the doors of any church would see ads carried in secular magazines. And many thousands could be en-

TO SUPPLEMENT THE CANDLE



rolled in Baptist mail-instruction courses.

Let us learn from the Roman Catholics.

Let's Help Him

A large per cent of Mississippi Baptists do not realize the importance of the work being done by Rev. J. L. Boyd, our Mississippi Baptist historian. Almost unnoticed he has gathered together much invaluable historical material. He doesn't make much fuss about the work he does, but it is important.

In many places throughout Mississippi there are valuable historical documents—letters, books, and minutes. May we urge all our readers to be on the lookout for anything that they think would be of value. Perhaps you may not attach much importance to it, but, at least, write Dr. Boyd at Clinton and tell him what you have and he can soon inform you about its worth.

Most of the clerks are cooperating, but we also urge every clerk to be prompt to send Dr. Boyd a copy of the association minutes. Years from now they will be of great historical importance.

Remember The Pastor

Many churches do, but for fear that some may forget, we suggest that a Christmas present to the pastor would be most appropriate. Not only should churches show their appreciation of their pastor by giving a Christmas present, but many families should also include the pastor on their Christmas list.

Most of them have worked hard during the past year. They have been at the beck and call of their members day and night. Oftentimes while many of the members were already asleep, they have spent many hours worrying over the many problems of their people.

Furthermore, many churches have not increased the salary of their pastor during the past year. That means that as prices have gone up, the salary they now receive will not buy as much as it would last year.

One present from each family in the church would mean much to many pastors. Let's show our appreciation.

Our Readers Write

Dear Brother Goodrich:

May I comment with appreciation on your editorial "Don't Count On Us"? As a native Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College, and having spent all my ministry in the deep south, it was a real disappointment to find American (Northern) Baptists in such a sad doctrinal plight when I came to serve as pastor in the Northwest. And the problem is also far more than doctrinal.

The two largest groups of Baptists in the north have the same position on the doctrines and the church. Both American and Conservative Baptists receive into their churches for full membership any persons who have been immersed by any authority or for any purpose. In their churches the Lord's Supper is to be taken by anyone who considers himself as a Christian. One becomes a church member by virtue of being a Christian.

These Baptists have very few, if any, institutions which are controlled by messengers elected by churches. Their

schools are directed by self-perpetuating boards of trustees who are not responsible to the conventions. This is the reason they have lost most of them. The others do not actually function for any real Baptist purpose. Most of the pastors come from the Interdenominational Bible Institutes and many of them change from denomination to denomination as the call comes from one or the other.

Under National Council of Churches direction the churches they are "allowed" to start in new areas must be Community Baptist Churches. People of all denominations must have equal status in the membership. Thus they have as teachers and deacons people of various beliefs, and whose background of church government is far different to Baptists.

As these Baptists are on the decrease, they naturally are seeking anything that will bolster their cause, as is manifest in the resolution passed by the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention. One at a time their real Baptist churches are coming to Southern Baptists. The others are going the "community" way. We Southern Baptists, with our present doctrinal position and our convention policies, are the hope of the Baptist cause in the nation. Being right in the middle of the fight here in Oregon, I appeal to you to hold tenaciously to the same position as you express in your editorial of November 20.

APPROVES EDITORIAL

Dear Goodrich:

I greatly enjoyed your editorial article "Don't Count On Us." It is to the point, uncompromising and convincing. I wish all Baptists in places of influence were as loyal to Baptist principles as you. If they were the Baptists of all sections would be able to win others to a knowledge of the truth.

Truly,
G. W. PASCHAL,
Wake Forest, N. C.

Comment: Dr. Paschal is a great teacher, now retired and greatly beloved in North Carolina and throughout the South. We owe more to him than any other person for help, financially, spiritually and educationally in graduating from Wake Forest College. Now retired Dr. Paschal taught at Wake Forest for many years.

Kokomo, Miss.
December 4, 1952

The Baptist Record,
Jackson, Miss.

Dear Sirs:

I wish to express my deep appreciation for the cartoons which appear in our paper, THE BAPTIST RECORD, each week. In fact, when I receive our copy that page is the first thing I look for.

I try to save each cartoon and send them to my son overseas. I consider the cartoons a great sermon within themselves and ask my son to pass the picture on to others after he has meditated over it in his hand.

MRS. ALBERT DUKE.

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Seminary Church To Present Christmas Program By Three Choirs

The Cherub, Junior, and Senior Choirs of the Seminary Baptist Church, Covington county, will present a Christmas play, "Why Christmas?" — Sunday, December 14 at 8 p. m. The entire night service will be devoted to the Christmas program.

The play depicts the story of a woman on Christmas Eve walking the streets, wondering how different families celebrate the night before Christmas. She is trying to find the real meaning of Christmas. She looks into the windows of four homes—each representing a different type of family. Scene I represents the fussing family; Scene II—the selfish family; Scene III—the family who just has too much to do to go to church; and then the last Scene is the family where the parents are reading the Bible to their children. In the last scene, as the Christmas story is being read, the Nativity scene will be shown through a thin curtain with shadowed lights—presenting it as an imagination to the children of the home. The Christmas story is so real to this home that they even imagine the birth of Christ there in their own living room as the Bible is being read.

As the climax to the program, Mrs. Byron Mathis, wife of the pastor and director of the choir and program, will represent an angel over the nativity scene as she sings a descant to Silent Night accompanied by the choir.

—BR—

Morton Baptists Go Over Budget on Honesty Sunday

The budget of \$18,307.80 of the Morton Church was more than met on Honesty Sunday when pledges totaled \$23,000. Of the number who pledged to the budget, 106 signed the Tither's Pledge.

D. R. Ott, chairman of the Finance Committee, directed the campaign.

According to the pastor, Rev. Carl Duck, special emphasis was given to Stewardship through sermon, study course, tracts, testimonies, film and other means for a month prior to Honesty Sunday.

—BR—

Two Missionaries Changing Fields

Two superintendents of associational missions, Rev. H. H. Ward and Rev. Foy Rogers, are currently changing fields.

The Rev. Mr. Ward, who has been missionary for the Carroll-Montgomery associations, is accepting the same position in Atala association, succeeding Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, who resigned to accept a pastorate in Illinois.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers, recently missionary for the Marshall-Lafayette associations, has accepted a similar post in Pontotoc association, succeeding Rev. Boyd LeCroy, who resigned to enter the pastorate.

Both men have done good work on their present fields. The Rev. Mr. Ward is president of the State Association of Superintendents of Associational Missions.



Shown above is the attractive sign in front of the church at Jayess.

Robert Burton Accepts Memphis Music Post

Robert L. Burton, minister of music of First Church, Brookhaven since Aug., 1951, has resigned that position to become minister of music at First Church in Memphis.

His resignation becomes effective Dec. 28. He has done a fine work at Brookhaven.

He and Mrs. Burton have one son, Steve. Rev. Brooks Wester is pastor of First Church, Brookhaven.

—BR—

The Baptist Record is grateful to Rev. George M. Coaker, pastor at Ecru, for a list of subscriptions.

Rev. Ivor Clark Accepts Noxapater

Rev. Ivor Clark has accepted the call as pastor of the Noxapater Church in Winston County.

Mr. Clark has recently been released from the Chaplaincy of the United States Air Force where he was stationed at Goodefellow Air Base in Texas.

Before serving in the Chaplaincy, Mr. Clark was pastor of the Spring Creek Church in Neshoba County.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and Southwestern Seminary.

Tecowa Church in Panola County has called Rev. J. W. Henry of Pontotoc as pastor. He succeeded Rev. Claude Howe, who recently resigned.

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

New Providence Is No. 1041

There is an old saying that goes, "Seeing is believing." A more recent one is, "Hearing is believing." Recently a good member of the New Providence Church attended the Leake County Association and heard a presentation of the merits of the Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record. This good lady not only heard, but she acted. She went back to her church and told them the things she had heard.

As a result New Providence Church of Leake County has sent in a nice Every Family list.

Record readers in Leake County are now listed as follows: Center Hill 2; Bethel 1; CARTHAGE 119; CEDAR GROVE 47; Corinth 1; GOOD HOPE 40; LENA 81; McDonald 14; MADDEN 53; MARS HILL 51; MIDWAY 32; MT. ZION 37; New Hope 15; NEW PROSPECT 23; NEW PROVIDENCE 31; ROCKY POINT 71; SALEM 35; Standing Pine 2; SUNRISE 54; THOMASTOWN 66; TUSCOLA 40; WALNUT GROVE 79; Wiggins 16; New Zion 1; and HOPEWELL (INDIAN) 17.

They Helped Toward The 78,000 Mark

November was a good month for the Baptist Record. In addition to several new EVERY FAMILY churches and other subscriptions, the following churches sent in additions to their lists:

Aberdeen 17, Hattiesburg 14, Pascagoula, First 17, West Jackson 17, Biloxi, First 25, Second Greenville 81, Indianola, First 20, Kosciusko, First 12, Leavell Woods, Jackson, 12, Louisville, First 10, Pleasant Grove, Marshall County 22, Potts Camp 14, Belzoni 11, Benoit 20, Beulah, Hinds County 12, Brookhaven, First 20, Clinton, First 26, Crystal Springs, First 10, Dan-

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Late Report On Advance Program

Nashville, Tenn. (BP) — Home and foreign missions received \$664,459 from the Advance Program between November 7, when that part of the Southern Convention budget went into effect and November 29, the date of the latest report, according to Porter Routh, treasurer of the convention. Foreign missions received \$498,344 and home missions, \$166,114.

Southern Convention Cooperative Program receipts are up 13.54 per cent for the first eleven months in 1952. In 1951 the total for the January-November period was \$7,360,073, this year \$8,356,459, or an increase of \$996,385.

iel Memorial, Jackson 26, Meridian, 15th Ave., 12, Olive Branch 10, Pearlhaven (Brookhaven) 26, Rolling Fork 17, and Tylertown, First 11.

Indian Springs Is No. 1042

When it was heard that Rev. Spurgeon Kelly had moved from Lee County to Jones County and become pastor of the Indian Springs Church, it was confidently felt that a new Every Family list would be a result. And it has. One of the very first things that Pastor Kelly did was to lead this church to adopt the Every Family Plan of the Baptist Record.

Naturally with all of the families of the church receiving weekly news about the Baptist work at home and abroad those good people are going to be drawn closer and closer to Baptist work throughout the world.

Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows:

Bethel 1; BETHLEHEM 80; CALVARY 34; COUNTY LINE 51; ELLISVILLE 153; FAIRFIELD 42; Fellowship 6; Friendship 2; HARMONY 129; HEBRON 58; INDIAN SPRINGS 94; LAUREL FIRST 429; LAUREL, SECOND AVENUE 237; LAUREL, BEACON 88; MOSELLE 46; EAST VIEW 48; NEW HOPE 31; OVETT 35; PINE GROVE 56; SANDERSVILLE 77; SAND HILL 36; SHARON 80; Shelton 1; SOSO, 108; SOUTH LAUREL 45; SUMMERLAND 65; Tucker's Crossing 19; WEST LAUREL 164; GLADE-145; Pleasant Ridge 1; WEST ELLISVILLE 51; Eastabuchie 18; LAUREL, HIGHLAND 107; Laurel, Joe Wheeler 18; and LAUREL WILDWOOD 159.

Spring Hill Sends List

Spring Hill Church in Marshall County joined the promotion plan of the Baptist Record and liked it so well that they recently sent a nice list with instructions that the Baptist Record be sent.

Rev. M. O. Huffstatler is the pastor.

Record readers in Marshall County are now listed as follows: BYHALIA 61, CORNERSVILLE 36, HOLLY SPRINGS 216, Mt. Moriah 1, PLEASANT GROVE 21, POTTS CAMP 62, Red Banks 1, SLAYDEN 61, and Spring Hill 12.

C. E. Autrey To Speak At State Evangelistic Meet



Dr. C. E. Autrey when he attends the State Evangelistic Conference in Jackson, Jan. 27-29.

Prior to his present position he was Secretary of Evangelism in Louisiana.

He will speak three times during the Conference, discussing "The Value of an Associational Simultaneous Crusade," "Perennial Evangelism Directed" (Film Strip Showing Evangelism Church Council), and "Power of Prayer and How to Promote It in Associations and Churches."

He is known as a dynamic speaker and his appearance in Mississippi will be anticipated.

He had for several years as pastor of First Church of West Monroe, La., a most successful record as an evangelistic pastor.

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Fine Response Accorded Film "How Much"

BY JOE ABRAMS

Director of Promotion

The stewardship film, "How Much," has received a tremendous response from those who have seen it, according to reports reaching the Baptist Building from over the state.

One pastor reported a conversion as a direct result of the showing. "Wonderful," "the best thing we have ever had," are typical of the comments received.

The office of the Executive Secretary has six prints of the film available without rental cost and they were booked "solid" for the months of October and November.

There are several available dates open for December and January however and those wishing to show the 16-minute film may contact the office.

This past Sunday the film was shown in the following churches: First, Lucedale, Coffeeville, East Greenville, Sunflower, Central, Brookhaven, and on Monday in Terry.

It is a 16-mm. sound motion picture, produced by Broadman Films in Nashville.

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Rev. and Mrs. Marlin R. Hicks, Southern Baptist missionaries to Chile, have moved from Santiago to Antofagasta where they will take up the work of Rev. and Mrs. William H. Bryant who have returned to the States due to the illness of Mrs. Bryant. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks may be addressed at Casilla 160. Mrs. Hicks, formerly Dorothy Gilbert, is a native of Meridian, Miss.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
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HERE ARE IMPORTANT DATES TO PUT IN CALENDAR

We are giving here some very important Sunday school dates to keep in mind, and on your calendar for 1953.

1. Monday evening, January 26, is the suggested night for the simultaneous associational meetings of pastors, educational directors, superintendents, and associational officers in the interest of the plan of Southern Baptists to reach "A Million More in '54."

2. January 19-21, in the Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, is our statewide Vacation Bible school clinic for associational missionaries, associational Vacation Bible school leaders, and others.

3. March 10, 11, 12 is the time for our three Sunday school conventions, in Tupelo, Meridian and Gulfport, one full day at each place.

So, Brother Superintendent, and Brother Pastor, and other Sunday School leaders, be sure and mark these dates and make plans early for as many of your people to get the benefits of these meetings as possible. They are all very, very important for our 1953 program.

JANUARY BIBLE STUDY

It is so worth while that we again call your attention to the special Bible Study Week in January. Don't let it go by without using to the fullest this fine opportunity for more Bible study in your church.

The book suggested this time is Philippians. A Guidebook has been prepared by Dr. Ralph Herring for this study, if one is desired. They are now available at the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, and should be ordered early so as to be sure and have them when the time comes.

This is a good time for additional Bible study. Let's use it.

WHAT ABOUT DECEMBER?

We are coming rapidly to the close of 1952. It has been a great year in many ways, and we are grateful to the Lord for his many blessings to us.

However, we have a few days left yet in this year. How shall we use them in a good Sunday school way?

One good thing to do is to have the Preview lessons for next quarter. That will certainly be a helpful thing for the teachers in getting ready for next quarter's lessons.

Preview study leaflets may be secured from Dr. J. N. Barnette, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

And again, what about the goals that your school adopted in October? Have they been kept in mind, and have definite plans been made toward reaching these?

If not, December is a good time to make a restudy of these and then do some definite planning and work toward reaching them.

Goals can be a real challenge to

us to do bigger and better things if we will only make them that. They can challenge us to larger fields ahead. So let's use December for this also.

And again, what about a new class for your school? That may be the very thing that you need to do right now.

Remember, for every new class we reach on an average of ten people, and they are new people for the most part.

Let's keep our schools growing, for all the people need Bible study. We just cannot afford to stop growing as long as there are unreached people about us.

MORE STANDARDS

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1. We have sent you a folder containing literature that will be helpful to you. Study this and see that your organization is complete.

2. Study the Brotherhood Guidebook—This can be secured from the Baptist Book Store. (Price 75 cents)

3. Have regular meetings of your executive committee and plan your work.

4. Have regular meetings, whether they be weekly or monthly.

5. Cooperate with your associational and state work—

(1) By Keeping in mind the following meeting for 1953 Statewide Brotherhood Rally in Jackson, November 16.

(2) By reporting your officers to this office for our mailing list.

(3) By making a Quarterly Report to your Associational president and to this office.

6. Plan your programs and activities for 1953. — Evangelism festives for 1953. — Evangelism — Stewardship — Cooperative Program—Boy's Work—

7. Do not plan to do anything as a Brotherhood without first consulting your pastor and having his full approval of your activities.

8. Keep your work church-centered.

9. Ask the church to order the Brotherhood Journal for every man in the church. Urge the men to read it. Use it as a basis for your programs.

Make the Brotherhood count in your church during 1953. If we can help you, feel free to call on us. If you need literature, write us. Keep us informed of the work you are doing.

Leadership conferences and Brotherhood Rallies just ahead—January 5-9, 19-23 and February 2-6.

How to promote the rally of men and boys:

1. Publicize the meeting thoroughly! Put the program in a prominent place. Call the attention of your men and boys to the program.

2. Let everybody know that the rally is going to be a big meeting, indeed, with many men and many boys from many churches there. Sell them on the idea that they can't afford to stay away.

3. Tell your church about the personalities on the program.

4. Enlist the Sunday School teachers, Training Union leaders, and others working with boys, to see that everybody knows about

the meeting, and that every boy is provided a way to go.

5. Set up a transportation committee!

6. Tell the women that they are cordially invited!

Please push this meeting whether or not your church has a Brotherhood. It will help your men, your boys—and it will help your church immeasurably, to have your church well represented.

We're going to be looking for you, and your men, and your boys!

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SMITHVILLE CHURCH ORDAINS DEACONS

The Smithville Church, Reverend Lawrence C. Riley, pastor, has ordained the following brethren to the deaconship: Ramie Allen, L. M. Elliott, J. E. Long, F. W. Nabors, Farris Reedy, and F. M. Stevens.

The following took part in the service: Rev. James F. Hartley, of Vardaman; Rev. K. Z. Stevens, of Columbus, who was also ordained by this church; Rev. C. W. Thompson, of Aberdeen; Dr. J. M. Walker of Aberdeen.

The Smithville church also voted to set aside a percentage of all regular receipts for missions.

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Iuka Church Conducts Stewardship Campaign

1260 was collected for the building fund by the First Church at Iuka on Sunday, Nov. 30.

The church, Rev. Thurman Booth, pastor, has on currently a stewardship drive with a slogan, "Every Member a Tither by Jan. 1."

The pastor reported the conversion of a 61-year-old man following the showing of the film "How Much."

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Baptists on the March is a condensed, accurate, re-write of Baptist history. Written by E. C. Routh, a man whose heart is fervent with appreciation of Baptist history, this book fills a wide need in Baptist life. The appetites of those who read this book will be stimulated to desire to know more of the subject. The author wrote it not for scholars or theological students, but the multitudes of Baptist people. Those who read it will be helpfully served.

Attention, Southern Baptist Pastors

Dear Brethren:

In June, 1952, a Convention-wide movement was launched by our Sunday school leaders to enroll a net gain of one million members in our Southern Baptist Sunday schools in 1954, for Bible study. A challenge of such magnitude requires thorough preparation, intelligent planning, and earnest participation of all of our people.

Our first step in the matter of preparation is to inform the people of this movement. We therefore request you and the superintendent of your Sunday School to announce the program in all services of your

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Clinton, Mississippi

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Herman L. Daniel, Associational Missionary, Ala., Crenshaw Association from McAnopy, Ala.

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B. R. Lineman, Lakewood, New Mexico.

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M. B. Massey, Tabernacle, Houston, Texas.

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Ocean Springs Church Has Thanksgiving Meet

There were seven additions during a Thanksgiving Revival held at the First Church of Ocean Springs, Nov. 25-30.

Five came forward in rededication and one for special service. Rev. W. R. Storie is the pastor.

The preaching was done by ten of the men who had surrendered to preach in the church in times past.

Each one preached at least once during the meeting.



Blue Mountain, Miss., Dec. 8—Shown above are seven Blue Mountain College seniors who have been elected to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, one of the highest honors a college student can receive. They are: seated, Polly Davis, Grenada; Jane Anderson, Booneville; Greely Neal Myatt, Houston; Marilyn Clayton, Memphis, Tenn. Standing, Mary Martha McClain, Quincy, Fla.; Alice Donnell, Blue Mountain; Miriam Stacy, Tupelo.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 YEARS AGO—

Pastor E. T. Mobberly of Indianola reports a great meeting with 14 additions in which Rev. Fred D. Hale did the preaching.

At the close of a ten day meeting in the Poplarville Church, Rev. I. P. Trotter doing the preaching, Student Luther Holcomb of Mississippi College, was granted a license to preach. Sixteen additions, Rev. J. T. Dale, pastor.

40 YEARS AGO—

Student J. E. Kinsey of Mississippi College was approved by a presbytery for ordination by the Clinton church.

25 YEARS AGO—

In one Sunday afternoon \$8,000 of the Clinton Baptist Church budget of \$11,000 was subscribed as the members came to the church to show their loyalty and liberality.

Pastor W. W. Grafton of the Sledge Church reports 48 additions, thirty-five by baptism, from a ten day revival meeting in which Evangelist W. M. Bostick of the Home Mission Board did the preaching.

Stewardship Institutes are in full swing under the direction of G. C. Hodge who is the state Stewardship and Budget Director. The Davis Memorial Church (Crestwood) of Jackson has had the largest class to date, with 134 diplomas and seals delivered and all but two children in attendance pledged to tithe. Rev. R. B. Patterson, Pastor.

The Baptist Record appreciates a list of subscriptions from Tucker's Crossing Church in Jones County, sent in by Mrs. J. D. Aycock.

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NAMES MAKE NEWS

Mississippi Southern BSUsers, according to BSU Sec'y Riley Munday, have recently had a very effective program of evangelistic enlistment attempting to visit every Baptist student on the campus, promoting the effort by radio, in newspapers and through the mails; their annual Peanut Boil attended by 126; won second place among the religious floats during Homecoming; are working hard toward a Baptist Student Center, and gave a vote of confidence to their Sec'y.

Corporal Thomas Talbert, grad of Miss. College, has established a scholarship fund for young Japanese musicians at the Tokyo Conservatory.

At Ole Miss, according to BSU Sec'y Marian Leavell, a concerted visitation program has been effective, adding about a dozen students to the church membership and others to the various organizations. The YWA has been reorganized. The Ole Miss YWA was written up in the Nov. issue of Window of YWA.

New mission volunteers at N. O. Seminary include Mississippians Inez Cantwell, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dubose, Nilon L. Hogan, James R. Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. James Harrell and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Remont.

At Auburn, 1375 of 6401 students from the experience."

are Baptists, 155 are Baptist preference, 30 are of no preference, 526 Baptist students are members of the Auburn Church, average for S. S. is 219, T. U., 263. Our good friend, Maurice Willis, of Ky., is BSU Sec'y.

About the convention, Clifton Perkins, West Point, says "I think it was truly a great convention"; J. O. Snowden, of Jackson, "It was a great joy and spiritual uplift for me"; Laurence Jones, of Piney Woods, "I don't know of anything I have enjoyed more"; Martha Lu Sumrall, Miss. College, "Playing for our BSU Convention was one of the happiest privileges of my life"; Ray Keence, Gainesville, Fla., "you had a fine convention"; Curtis Mullen, Calvary Church, Jackson, "The Convention was certainly a blessing to me"; George Chu Lin, Greenville, "To see all those nice young people there was most inspiring"; Jacob L. Reddix, President, Jackson College, "We enjoyed making a small contribution"; P. H. Eason, Jackson, "I congratulate you and your organization upon the fine work that you are doing. It augurs well for the future. It is a harbinger of a better day"; Zula E. Coon, Director of Miss. College Choir, "All of us received rich spiritual rewards



DR. EDWIN McNEELY

Convention song leader, Dr. Edwin McNeely, voice professor in Southwestern Seminary will lead the music at the Southern Baptist Convention, Houston, next May 6-10, according to an announcement by President J. D. Grey. (BP).

Thirteen Additions In water valley Revival

There were thirteen additions, four of them by letter during the revival meeting conducted by the First Church of Water Valley.

Doing the preaching was Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor of First Church of Columbus.

Rev. W. C. Howard, pastor, reports that the services were a blessing to the church and the city.

CONVENTION O.K.'s CLARKE COLLEGE NEED

By DR. W. E. GREENE
President

Clarke Memorial College

The Education Commission in its annual report to the Mississippi Baptist Convention in its annual session, November 11-13, asked the convention to note "The immediate pressing need of a boys dormitory at Clarke Memorial College."

This is the second time that the Education Commission has brought to the attention of the Baptists of Mississippi this dire need. In 1950 the above dormitory was condemned by the Commission but upon earnest plea and the promise on the part of the college to make at least the minimum repairs, the school was permitted to use it because of the overwhelming student body that had to be housed somewhere.

The convention has again given Clarke the opportunity of going into the field in an effort to raise funds for this and other much needed buildings. We are very confident that if our Baptist churches and individuals could be made fully aware of the services to the cause of Christ that are being rendered by Clarke College these needs would be fully met in a record short time.

Clarke is so dependent upon individuals and churches for all its support. It does not receive any income from the co-operative program for building purposes; therefore, buildings must be made possible through the gifts of individuals and churches.

Leonard Leavel Dies In Georgia

NEWNAN, Ga. —(BP)— Leonard O. Leavell, sixty-six year old retired pastor, died at his home in Newnan, Georgia, November 26. Dr. Leavell had served in pastorates in Tennessee, Mississippi, Kentucky, Alabama, and Georgia. He had lived in Georgia for the past ten years, the last two in retirement.

Dr. Leavell was one of nine brothers, several of whom have been active in Southern Baptist denominational life. His brother, Roland Q. Leavell, president of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, conducted the funeral services at Newnan.

A native of Mississippi, Dr. Leavell graduated from the University of Mississippi and received his Ph.D. from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Hear The Baptist Hour

Rev. Charles Welborn will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program on Sunday, December 21. His message will be broadcast on 310 stations.

Mississippi has the following stations carrying the Baptist Hour program:

WJMB Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WGLC, Centerville, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6:00 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9:00 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRJW, Picayune, 1:00 p. m., and WIM, Vicksburg, 5:30 p. m.

Mississippi ranks eight among the states in the Southern Baptist Convention in total receipts for the month of November as reported by Porter Routh, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Of Mississippi's total of \$47,327, \$43,879 was for the Cooperative Program.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

December 21—Mrs. J. W. Eubanks, Choctaw Associational WMU Superintendent; John M. Parker, George Associational Training Union Director.

December 22—Riley Munday, BSU Secretary, Mississippi Southern College; Dr. W. O. Sadler, faculty, Mississippi College.

December 23—Rev. J. W. Nolen, Zion Association Board Member; Mrs. Lee Ferrell, staff, Baptist Orphanage.

December 24—Frank Jones, Jackson Associational Brotherhood President; Dr. Helen Shaw, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

December 25—Christ's Birthday; Rev. James Haggard, Tallahatchie Associational Sunday School Supt.

December 26—Dr. I. E. Rouse, president, Woman's College, Mrs. Hugh Wade, Clay Associational WMU Superintendent.

December 27—Homer Fleming, Jones Associational Training Union Director; Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Sharkey-Issaquena Board Member.

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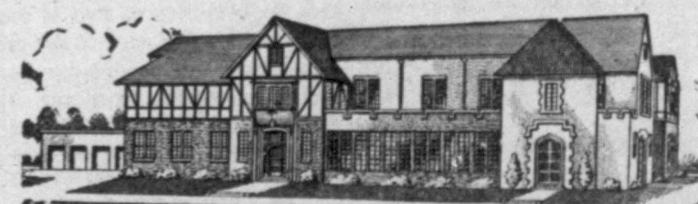
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THE YEAR OF JUBILEE

"Lead On O King Eternal, the day of march has come!"

The "days of preparation" for our Jubilee are drawing to a close. The Jubilee Year is upon us — this wonderful 75th anniversary of our Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union. Are we ready? Are we familiar with the Jubilee Handbook where we find the goals and objectives and the plans for reaching them? Do you now the Jubilee Song on the back of the Handbook; can we sing it? "Blow ye trumpets, Hallelujah, This Glad Year of Jubilee. Sing His praises, sing His praises, Jesus died to set me free, Blow ye trumpets, Hallelujah, This Glad Year of Jubilee." Let's use this song.

We want to remember that the "I" in Jubilee must be capitalized. It stands for each of us personally and the success of this undertaking depends on that middle letter in the main word. Each of us must put ourselves into this effort. Victory depends on you and me!

We must begin with enlistment — first, that other woman who is not interested in the missionary program of Christ; second, that church, perhaps near by, with no missionary organization — remembering too, the young people and the needed auxiliaries. We want to make that gain of 75 NEW societies; let's see what ASSOCIATION will head the list. Every District Chairman will be watching each of her Associations.

We want to make that gain of 75 NEW Business Woman's Circles — what about your own church or the one close by? We need every one of our business women in this work of missions. We want to make that gain of 75 times 5 — in your people's organizations. What will YOU do about that?

As we enter the Jubilee Year certainly every one of us will make definite plans to attend the State W. M. U. Convention in late March. The lovely Pageant depicting the beginnings, the progress and the bringing up to date of the work of this missionary organization will be thrilling! Colorful pageantry, beautiful costumes, proper lighting, ample stage facilities, all well handled by competent committees we would not, we cannot, afford to miss that! Then we will look forward with keen anticipation to the History of the 75 years — to be released at the W. M. U. Convention in 1954.

We join together in saying: "Lead on O King Eternal, we journey in the light, The crown awaits the conquest, Lead on O God of Might."

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SUNFLOWER ASSOCIATIONAL BANQUET

Rome Baptist Church was the setting for the Sunflower Associational Royal Ambassador Father-Son Banquet on November 6. One hundred and twenty nine fathers and other guests packed the banquet hall to overflowing in the first association-wide conclave for Sunflower Royal Ambassadors.

The theme of the banquet, "Craftsmen for Christ," was carried out in the decorations and the program. The featured speaker for the occasion, observed as the climax to Royal Ambassador Focus Week, was Rev. Bill Wallace, pastor of Tutwiler Methodist Church, who pointed out the three most important steps in becoming craftsmen for Christ are finding God's will in one's life work, in choosing a marriage partner, and in accepting Christ as Saviour and Master.

Mr. Paschal Townsend, a Ruleville layman, challenged the boys with his "Words from a Father to the Sons," and Jackie Davis of Rome responded with a toast to the fathers. Mr. W. B. Horton of Moorhead led the invocation, and Rev. L. J. Crumby of Sunflower closed the evening with prayer. Frank Horton, student secretary at Sunflower Junior College, led the group singing.

Rev. Charles D. Phillips, pastor of the Rome Church and Associational Royal Ambassador Counselor, served as toastmaster for the occasion. Two other pastors, Rev. David T. Cranford of Indianola, and Rev. W. A. Sullivan of Bethany, also attended.

ATTEND STATE ROYAL AMBASSADOR CONGRESS—MARCH 13-14, 1953 CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.

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The 1953 Home Mission study book for Intermediates has recently come off the press of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga. Lo, I Am With You (\$5.00) is written by Mrs. J. L. Moye. Because Intermediate boys and girls desire to know of their own missionary heroes Mrs. Moye has included in this book stories of two of our oldest missionaries, two of the middle-age group and two of our younger ministers. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

TROY PRINCE ACCEPTS CARTHAGE PASTORATE



REV. TROY PRINCE

Rev. Troy Prince has resigned the pastorate of the Friendship Church, Pike County to accept the Carthage Church. He will move to Carthage on Dec. 15.

During the two and one-half years that Mr. Prince has been at Friendship Church there have been 100 additions, 53 by baptism and the budget has gone from \$6,400 to \$16,500 for 1953. The 1953 budget allows \$4,000 for the Cooperative Program.

A mission has been built during the past year at a cost of \$9,500 in the community adjoining Friendship.

Before going to Friendship Mr. Prince was on the Clarke College staff in the Bible Department.

Mr. Prince is a graduate of Clarke College, Mississippi College, and the Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

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CALHOUN SETS GOALS FOR 1953

Along with a regular routine program of monthly meetings, the Calhoun Co. Associational Training Union has set some high goals for the coming year. Training Union Study Course Awards for the association 1,500; No. churches reporting a study course, 36; No. churches promoting the Bible Reading and Prayer Meeting Attendance Crusade, 36; Attendance at "M" Night 650; No. attending the District Convention in June, 200; No. attending Assembly at Garaywa, 25; No. attending Assembly at Ridgecrest, 10. Other goals include standard unions, enlarged enrollment, and every church having at least one representative in the contests at the District Convention. A simultaneous Stewardship Study Course is set up for October 16-25, and an Enlargement Campaign will be the project for March 22-29. Plans plus performance equals Progress!

Orphanage Children Listed By Name And Age

According to W. G. Mize, Baptist Orphanage Superintendent, many people over the state have requested a list of the names and ages of the Orphanage boys and girls with the idea of sending some of them a Christmas present. Below is listed the names and ages of the present Orphanage family:

Two year old girl—Christa Hoover.

Three year old girls—Vickie Hawkins, Margaret Ann Jones, Lillie Mae Williams.

Four year old girls—Patsy Fowler, Shanna Mae Laughry.

Four year old boys—Tommy Brewer, Donald D'Herde, Johnny Dykes, John Howard Mason.

Five year old girls—Barbara Fowler, Ruth Hawkins, Charlotte Hoover, Patricia Ann Mason, Mary Linda Wilson.

Five year old boys—Kerry Donald Benson, Thomas Elbert Jones, Gary Gilmore.

Six year old girls—Carol Ann Breeden, Diana Lee Dykes, Shirley Gilbert, Linda Ruth Rannels, Edna Smith.

Six year old boys—Jerry Glynn Benson, James Leroy Deese, Dudley Gibbs, Ricky Morris.

Seven year old girls—Judy Bates, Anne Brewer, Marie Dykes, Mary Kay Fant, Dovie Hankins, Doris Laughry, Mary Ann Mason.

Seven year old boys—Ernest Drewery, Elmer Lee Hawkins, J. J. Jones, Billie D'Herde.

Eight year old girls—Emily Creel, Mary Louise D'Herde, Lynda Fowler, Helen Hawkins, Patricia Ann Martin, Karen Ann Morris, Linda Carol Peavey, Joyce Gibbs.

Eight year old boys—James Allen Chandler, Tommy Fillingame, Ralph Gilbert, Charles Frederick Jones, Richard Lindsey, John Tom Smith, Harold Gilmore.

Nine year old girls—Dorothy Jean Breeden, Lynda Fay Brewer, Mary Ethel Deese, Barbara Jean Hankins, Bessie Jones, Carole Fay Morris, Barbara Lois Drewery, Dorothy Dykes.

Nine year old boys—Leon Bishop, Jimmy Chandler, Sammy Fillingame, Otto Gill, Woodrow Peavey, Jimmy Pittinger, Jerry Stacey, Carl Henry Sullivan.

Ten year old girls—Georgia Marie D'Herde, Sue Harrington, Mellie Marie Hesler, Cecilia Hoover, Patsy Ann Jones, Sybil Louise Jones, Sandra Power, Rise Carol Gilmore.

Ten year old boys—Paul Chandler, Stephen Creel, John Hughes, James Josey, Dallas Wayne Martin, Joe Smith.

Eleven year old girls—Mary Drewery, Mary Elizabeth Fillingame, Brenda Gilbert, Mary Sue Gill, Patsy Gale Hesler, Margie Nell Lee, Ann Pittinger.

Eleven year old boys—Bobby Bates, Ray Otis Bates, Ray Bishop, Alton Brewer, Robert D'Herde, Paul Hankins, James Hancock, Jimmy Lindsey.

Twelve year old girls—Joyce Gallaspy, Doris Hawkins, Barbara Jean Jones.

Twelve year old boys—Robert Acker, Claude Fillingame, Henry Wilson Jones, Sherron Lee, William Earl Lindsey, James Morris,

MISSISSIPPIAN HEADS CANADIAN SEMINARY

Hamilton, Ont. (BP) A graduate of Mississippi College and Southern Seminary is now dean of the Divinity School of McMaster University in Hamilton. He is Dr. N. H. Parker who was installed on Oct. 24. Before moving to Canada as professor in McMaster, Dr. Parker had served as pastor in the Southern Baptist Convention. The Divinity School of McMaster is a Baptist supported seminary.

Jack Smith, Kellon Sullivan, Forrest Gilmore.

Thirteen year old girls—Georgia Lou Barlow, Carol Jean Bates, Helen Gill, Mary Alice Hawkins.

Thirteen year old boys—Claude Alford Fillingame, Tommy Gilbert, James Hillil, William Earl Martin, Billy Reese, Walter Smith.

Fourteen year old girls—Hugh Fay Barlow, Ruby Laverne Brewer, Patsy Hankins, Ruby Hawkins, Dixie Penton, Evelyn Power, Patsy Smith, Edna Stacy, Carolyn Strahan.

Fourteen year old boys—Joe Acker, Curtis Hancock, Charles ittinger, Preston Smith.

Fifteen year old girls—Jewel Barlow, Charlene Bridges, Lucy Jane McLeod, Jean Fant.

Sixteen year old girls—Lilly Buchanan, Linda Vinzant, Audrey Westrope.

Seventeen year old girls—Bessie Lee Bates, Alene Bridges, Nadine Bryan, Mary Jo Pittinger.

Seventeen year old boy—Joe Rustin.

Eighteen year old girls—Edna Penton, Joyce Simpson (college students).

Eighteen year old boys—Melvin Oglesby, James Holland.

Twenty year old girl—Nina Jean Oglesby (college student).

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Mrs. Eugene Walters sends a nice list of nine new subscribers for the Longtown Church in Pannola county. The Baptist Record says "thanks."

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REV. EARL WARFORD

Training Union time is fast ap-
proaching. Many people who are in-
terested in training union work will
assembly at the First Baptist
Church edifice in Jackson on Dec.
30th for this meeting. Let me ex-
tend to you an invitation to be in
that number. There are two rea-
sons for insisting on the largest at-
tendance in history of these meet-
ings, namely: first, There has been
arranged a good program. Many of
the very best leaders in the south-
land will take part. Second, this
convention will conclude the offi-
cial service of our beloved Train-
ing Union secretary, Brother Au-
ber J. Wilds. As you know he will
retire after thirty-five years of ser-
vice to the Lord and to Mississippi
Baptists. It seems that a great con-
vention with large attendance
would be a glorious climax to such
a noble career. I can think of no
better way to say "Thank You"
than to make this the crowning
hour of his years of service.

EARL WARFORD

President, Mississippi Baptist
Training Union Convention
DR. J. B. LAWRENCE
Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive
secretary of the Southern Baptist
Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.,
will be guest speaker at the eleven
o'clock hour Tuesday morning, Dec.
30 First Baptist Church, Jackson,
Miss., at the State Baptist Train-
ing Union Convention. Dr. Law-
rence is a Mississippian for for
some years pastored churches in
the state. He was for several years
the executive secretary of our Mis-
sissippi Baptist Convention Board.
His message will be based on the
subject "Witnessing for Christ in the
Home Land." The convention will
open at 9:45 a. m. and will run
through an evening session. The
full program will be given in next
weeks Baptist Record.

Attention Intermediate Leaders

Remember we have a new In-
termediate Workers Plan Book. This
is a loose leaf filler with all kinds
of information and work sheets and
charts for the leaders of these In-
termediate unions. This filler is
\$1.00 at the Baptist Book Store in
Jackson. It is punched to fit a three
ring binder. You can get a binder

with the Training Union seal or
emblem imprinted on the front,
from the Book Store for \$1.00. Or-
der it and if you do not like it and
feel that it will be of no value to
you, return it for full credit.

Does your calendar of activities
for 1953 include a Bible Reading
Crusade for January? Order as
many of the Bible Readers guides
as you will use in enlisting people
to read God's word with us every
day. We will send you as many as
you will use, they are free. This
year the guides carry the readings
for the entire year.

Does your calendar for 1953 in-
clude the "Enlargement Campaign
for your church in March? The
idea is that you will use your own
workers, but definitely plan to en-
large the membership, unit organi-
zations, and efficiency of the un-
ion. Is there any reason why you
should not aspire to a goal that will
include every members of the
church for training?

Does your calendar for 1953 in-
clude a Prayer Meeting Atten-
dance Crusade? One association di-
rector said "The Training Union
can do anything it wants to do." Is
he right? The prayer meeting at-
tendance can be enlarged by sev-
eral hundred per cent in many
churches. Let your church be one of
these.

Did Your Association observe
"M" Night last week? The "M"
does not stand for MUST but it
could easily be said that "M" Night
is a "Must" for a good start of the
new year.

HOMES THAT LAST

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Southwestern Trustees Plan Improvements

The annual meeting of the board
of trustees of Southwestern Semi-
nary was held November 25 on the
seminary campus.

Officers re-elected were A. J.
Holt, Waco, president; E. L. Car-
nett, Dallas, vice president; and
D. A. Thornton, Fort Worth,
secretary.

Three special committees were
appointed: (1) to study the matter
of increasing endowment of the
seminary; (2) to deal with the
matter of a long range building
program, which would include
providing new apartments for
married couples, remodeling the
present apartments, and renovat-
ing Fort Worth Hall; and (3) to
give attention to general campus
improvements, such as walks and
drives.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

December 9, 1952

Jackson, Crestwood	618	404
Jackson, North Side	660	165
Jackson, First	1719	640
Main Church	1559	592
Broadmoor Chapel	160	48
Jackson, Daniel Mem.	627	350
Jackson, Alta Woods	410	234
Jackson, Robinson St.	145	57
Jackson, Southside	346	195
Jackson, West	251	163
Springfield (Scott Co.)	158	91
Meridian, Poplar		
Springs Drive	378	145
Hattiesburg, Main St.	940	306
Laurel, First	470	201
Laurel, West	388	137
Mission	32	41
Laurel, Second Ave.	427	108
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	601	264
Newton	561	389
Columbus, Southside	149	114
Pascagoula, First	837	341
Main Church	674	232
McArthur Chapel	45	33
Jackson Ave. Chapel	65	33
Orange Grove Chapel	40	37
River View Chapel	13	
New Prospect (Lincoln Co.)	156	102
Holly Bluff (Yazoo Co.)	127	89
West Point, First	625	216
West Point, Calvary	82	47
Brownsville	88	113
Gulfport, New Hope	81	33
Kreole	106	48
Ecu	129	59
Kosciusko, Second	198	112
Meridian, South Side	414	177
Enterprise	152	105
Calhoun City, First	326	133
Lucedale	342	157
McComb, Locust St.	102	59
Philadelphia, First	412	141
Meridian, Highland	539	188
Louisville, First	532	180
Louisville, South	48	30
McComb, South	277	91
Midway (Lauderdale Co.)	149	77
Grenada, First	667	105
Gulfport, First	858	287
Handsboro	206	73
Grenada, Emmanuel	208	90
Concord (Choctaw Co.)	79	86
Houston, First	309	150
Hattiesburg, Temple	579	219
Laurel, Highland	169	89
Bethel (Amite Co.)	52	60
Delay	44	42
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	145	66
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	96	57
Clinton	613	289
Hernando, First	187	91
Columbus, East End	215	98
Columbus, First	855	313
Kosciusko, First	801	401
Union (Walthall Co.)	112	70
Bethlehem (Jones Co.)	137	90
Pearlhaven (Lincoln Co.)	141	88
Glenfield (Union Co.)	116	98
Amity (Chickasaw Co.)	56	58
Olive Branch	127	75
Longview (Okfuskeba Co.)	65	36
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	115	57
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	90	58
Ruleville	205	95
Calvary Mission	51	16
Carterville (Lebanon Assoc.)	109	77
Corinth, Tate St.	305	113
Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.)	110	81
Magee's Creek (Walthall Co.)	96	51
Morton	320	165
Foxworth	188	93
New Hope (Marion Co.)	163	121
Petal Harvey	336	164
Glendale	70	55
Crystal Springs, First	719	194
Sidon	72	32
Itta Bena, First	205	99
Cranfield	73	73
Pleasant Grove		

Ministers Urge More Religious Emphasis On Christmas Programs

DURHAM, N. C. —(RNS)— A

six-point program to restore the
religious emphasis to the Christ-
mas observance was issued by the
Durham Ministers Association af-
ter a study by a special commit-
tee. The program recommends:

- (1) That the public use Christ-
mas cards with a definite Christ-
mas meaning.
- (2) That the public reduce em-
phasis on Santa Claus and stress
the birth of Jesus.
- (3) That more Christmas pag-
eants be presented in churches.
- (4) That Christmas carols be
sung in homes for the aged, hos-
pitals, jails, department stores and
factories.
- (5) That in all references to
Christmas the word 'Xmas' not be
used.

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Spanish-Speaking American, re-
source book for the 1953 graded
series of Home Mission Studies
has been recently published by the
Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.
The author is Thelma Brown Bur-
land, who was for a number of
years book consultant of the Bap-
tist Sunday School Board and is
the author of another home mis-
sion book, By Way of Cherokee. It
costs \$.50 and can be ordered from
the Baptist Book Store.

(Lincoln Co.)	95	52
Moak's Creek		
Lincoln Co.)	166	105
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	88	84
Laurel, Wildwood	124	39
November 30, 1952		
Meridian, Highland	459	149
Corinth, Tate St.	264	84

Canadian Churches Defeat Sunday Sports

Ottawa (RNS) —An almost solid
front by the churches was credited
with bringing about the defeat
here and in five other Ontario
cities of a proposal to legalize
sports on Sundays. The vote was
40,418 against Sunday sports to 29,
261 in favor.

Ottawa's mayor, Charlotte Whit-
ton, prominent Anglican church-
woman, strongly supported the
church campaign.

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16,693 Baptisms

(Continued From Page One)
previous year. Hinds Association
led in the increase with 595 more
than the previous year.

Union Association was second in
the total increase with 194 more
than 1950-51.

266 of the 1666 churches in the
state reported no baptisms.

Baptisms in 1950-51 were 17,527,
showing a slight decrease this past
year of 1,153.

The one-hundred per cent asso-
ciations were: George, Grenada,
Leflore, Sharkey-Issaquena, Union,
Walthall, Warren and Lamar.
George and Warren were also re-
peaters from the previous year.

The figures released also reveal
the following facts:

146 churches reported only 1 bap-
tism; 714 churches baptized be-
tween 2 and 9 and 535 churches
baptized more than 10.

Forty-two associations showed a
decrease in baptisms over the pre-
vious year.

Fifty-seven associations are now
organized for evangelism, accord-
ing to the Southern Baptist Pro-
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Among recent visitors to the Baptist Building were: Rev. C. S. Mullins, Starkville; A. J. Ponder, Starkville; Rev. E. D. Estes, Biloxi; Rev. Ivan Lowry, Wheeler; A. G. Grantham, Jr., Jackson; Betty Jo Harrison, Clinton; Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; Rev. W. A. Hollingsworth, Jackson; R. B. Thomas, Wiggins; Rev. Roy Self, Morton; Mrs. Walter J. Hill, Hattiesburg; Mrs. D. C. Williams, Summit; Rev. J. B. Stewart, Tyertown; Rev. G. C. Hodge, Biloxi; E. L. Clark, Newton; T. L. Everett, Newton; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Steen, Star; Rev. Clifton Davis, Value; A. E. Smith, Tyertown; Rev. Olive Mason, Pascagoula; Henry Cooper, Glen Allen; G. E. Hayden, Glen Allen; Paul C. Love, Glen Allen; Victor H. Brock, Glen Allen; Rev. Clarence Palmer, Chalabyate; Rev. J. W. Nolen, Stewart; E. O. Templeton, Starkville; Rev. A. H. Malone, Scooba; and Rev. J. Hubert Hammet, Yazoo City.

Rev. George M. Coaker, pastor of the Ecru Baptist Church, spoke to the Executive Committee of the Itawamba Baptist Association in the Fairview Baptist Church (near Fulton, Miss.) on Dec. 7, 1952. His subject was The Purpose, Plan, Promotion, and Provision for a School of Missions.

Phalti Church, Jeff-Davis county, has just completed a new auditorium on the inside, and they held their first services in it Sunday, Dec. 7. They have also newly painted and papered the pastor's home adding a new front and back porch to the home. Rev. A. Sidney Johnson is pastor.

The Harrisburg Baptist Church of Tupelo, which has been served by Allison Bell as interim pastor since last June, had its "Loyalty Day" yesterday although without a regular pastor since last January. The spirit and devotion of the people was such that fifty-one thousand dollars of its \$58,571 budget was pledged in the morning service. In the afternoon 22 couples went out to contact as many of the remaining members as could be found, with the result that at the evening service subscriptions had passed the \$60,000.00 mark and a great number of contacts are yet to be made.

Rev. Z. B. McAlpin, pastor of Dry Creek Church in Simpson County has sent in a fine list of 17 new subscribers to the Baptist Record, for which the Record is very grateful—and followed with one more.

Those who are interested in figures, the following information will be interesting. During the past Convention year 3,881,738 copies of the Baptist Record were mailed to subscribers. This does not include exchanges, advertisers and other copies.

Rev. R. G. Bilbo, pastor of New Harmony Baptist Church, reports the organization of a new Sunday School December 7, in Waldo school in Neshoba county. There were 58 enrolled.

Mr. Bilbo is a student at Clarke College.

Miss May Detherage, a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College who has served the past four years as manager of the Alexandria, Louisiana Baptist Book Store, has been appointed manager of the New Orleans Baptist Book Store.

On Sunday afternoon, November 30, at the Tate Street Church, Corinth, Kendrick Pierce was ordained to the Gospel ministry. His father-in-law, Rev. H. B. Speights, brought the ordination message. Mr. Pierce is the pastor of Soulevia church in Clarke County.

During the Thanksgiving Holidays a group of students from Clarke Memorial College, Newton, held a week end revival in the French quarters section of New Orleans. Lee Hudson, Jackson, leader of the group did the preaching; David Strebedk, Collins, led the group singing; Jean Evans, Jackson and Betty Jo Flowers, Meridian, were the soloists. Also working with the team were Carol Moore from Perkingston Junior College, who served as pianist and Dale Thomas, a former Clarke student.

According to Dr. J. L. Boyd the Lauderdale County Association is the first association in the Southern Baptist Convention territory to have its minutes microfilmed in their entirety from the organization to the present time. This is quite a distinction for Mississippi and this association. The work is being done at the headquarters of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission at Nashville, Tennessee, under the direction of Dr. Norman W. Cox, Executive Secretary of the Commission and the Southern Baptist Historical Society.

On Sunday, Dec. 7, 1952, the pastor and deacons of the Ecru Church presented Miss Ruby McCoy a leather bound copy of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible. This Bible was presented to her as a token of appreciation for the fine work which she has done during the past year as Church Treasurer. Her records have been both accurate and well kept. A committee of the deacons appointed to audit her books reported them to be accurate to the smallest detail. Miss Ruby McCoy was formerly treasurer of the Oxford Baptist Church, Oxford, Miss., while she was serving as cashier in one of the local banks of Oxford.

Broadman Comments (\$2.25) by R. Paul Caudill has recently been released by the Broadman Press. This lesson commentary is organized to help the Bible student see Bible study in its larger perspective. Each quarterly unit is introduced briefly. Each lesson is developed according to this outline: Notes on the lesson passage; Lesson Outline; Lesson Interpretation; and the Lesson in Life. Although based on sound scholarship, this book is never technical or abstract. While it gives more attention to exposition than to application, many of its readers praise "The Lesson in Life." Readable type and adequate spacing make it useful and attractive. These comments are on the International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching Uniform Series, 1953. Order from the Baptist Book Store.

The mother of Rev. Montie A. Davis is in a very serious condition in King's Daughters Hospital in Brookhaven. Pastor Davis requests the prayers of friends of the family.



As an indication of the progressive spirit of Leakesville is the sign shown above directed people to the church.

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La. Baptists Fix \$1 Million Goal

HAMMOND, La.—(BP) Louisiana Baptists have adopted a Co-operative Program goal for next year of \$1,024,800 to be divided 57½ per cent to state causes and 42½ per cent to Southern Convention causes.

Other plans for next year include a continuation of the Louisiana College endowment program until two million dollars is reached. State leaders were called upon to help lead a campaign to re-establish family altars. Churches were urged to send offerings to the American Bible Society, and to include the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation in their budgets. The convention also requested the president-elect, Dwight D. Eisenhower, not to send a representative to the Vatican.

Dr. W. L. Sewell, Bossier City, was elected president. Next year's convention will be held Nov. 10-12, in Shreveport. (Editor's Note: Dr. Sewell is in Louisiana on a leave. He was formerly pastor at Prentiss.)

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Lynn Irvin, clerk of the Union Hill church in Lee County, sends the Baptist Record a nice list of new subscribers, which is appreciated by the Record.

A TRIBUTE TO MRS. ALTON QUIN

Mrs. Alton Quin, of Columbia has given the best years of her life. She was superintendent of the Primary department of the First Church in Columbia. She resigned in May after serving 30 years.

"Mrs. Alberta", as she was called by her friends, was faithful in attendance despite the weather, and for the greater part she walked from her home to the church.

She has helped untold numbers of boys and girls and has been a great help to the teachers with whom she has worked. She has watched many children as they have climbed the three rung ladder on into the Junior Department.

One of her favorite scriptures is "God is Love," and she has tried to install this into each little mind.

We say thank you, Mrs. Quin, many, many times for your faithful work as superintendent of the Primary Department of the First Baptist Church, Columbia, for 30 long years.

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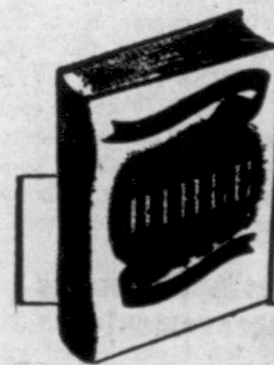
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MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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NEW DISTRICTS FOR MUSIC READY SOON

Not later than January 1st, the 20 district plan will be ready for mailing to all of the music mailing list and all pastors in the state. This district program will be followed in all music participation for 1953.

The new district program is designed to bring the district music programs to the people and should lend encouragement to many more groups and many more hymn players from the various churches over the state taking part in the district festival program. The idea will be built around centers for each district and the districts are outlined according to the range of the people.

The 1953 district festivals will be held beginning April 13th and running through May 17th. The program will be held from 5 p. m., to 9 p. m. beginning with the hymn playing in the late afternoon followed with a sandwich spread or refreshment period prepared by the entertaining church. Following the refreshment period, all choral adjudication will be held. The last 30 minute period in the evening will be given over to a mass choir concert by all groups participating in the festival.

The recent State Music Festival with more than 1000 participants

and another 1000 interested musicians, pastors, sponsors, teachers and visitors leads us to look forward to a great period in our festival work in 1953.

It should be noted by all pastors and music leaders that the Music Festivals for 1953 will not be held in connection with the Training Union convention. All hymn players, small and large ensembles, and graded choir groups will take notice of the new district plan.

Instrumental Division To Be Added In 1953

The Music Department is making preparation for a new division in the 1953 festivals known as the instrumental division. This will be held at the same time the hymn playing and choral festivals are held as part of our festival program. A church may enter one or more of the following instruments, however, only one ensemble of each type may be entered: A brass ensemble of not less than 3 instruments, and not more than 6, a wood wind ensemble of not less than 3, and not more than 6, only members of the violin family in the string group.

A church may enter from one instrumental up in this section. Complete details will be listed in the 1953 rule sheets which should be available January 1, 1953.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

For December 14
JESUS DISPELS FEAR
Bible Text: Matthew 14

I. THE SETTING OF THE LESSON

In all probability, the events of our lesson took place in February to April of the year 29, A. D. The events recorded in our printed text followed close upon the execution of John the Baptist by Herod, and this is the point to mark. The scenes of the events of our printed text was the region in and around Bethsaida. The castle of Machaerus, where John was imprisoned and afterwards beheaded was east of the Dead Sea, likely a bit east of south of Bethsaida.

II. JOHN THE BAPTIST AND HIS EXECUTIONER

The forest born Baptist preacher who goes by the name of John the Baptist had come out of his native hill country as herald of the Messiah. The announcement in the line of the herald was: The long-promised Messiah is coming, is drawing near, is at hand; get ye ready to meet Him? He baptized those who declared themselves willing to turn to the coming Christ, to turn to Him for salvation and service. And John seems to have spoken with those who presented themselves in readiness to be baptized. There were those who came asking John by what signs they should testify and witness their readiness to accept the Messiah and, therefore, what were the conditions necessary to their fitness to receive baptism.

It was not in John's nature to mince words. Where evil had play in any life, John spoke right out and denounced it. Whether in the case of a tax-gatherer, a soldier, a Pharisee, or a King, it was all the same to John. To all and each, the same blunt, frank, sincere, truthful speech. When proud hypocrisy faced John, he wove his words into scorpion whips with which he lashed the elegant actors. One of those of whom he ran afoul was Herod the Tetrach, the puppet king of Galilee.

Herod was a character out of the devil's own book; mixed-breed, immoral, low-down in character and habit, foxy puller of political wires and, as is to be expected of such men, master of winning ways with a certain class of women and, as is usual in the case of such men, mastered by the women whom they win or, should I say, the women by whom they are won? a mare-mastered man, as a wise horse would say—the hen-pecked husband, to use a hackneyed slang phrase.

This Herod paid a visit to his brother, a brother who had married a blood niece of his and his brother Herod's. Herod paid high court to his sister-in-law-niece and won her consent to become his wife. She had a daughter whom Herod brought away with her mother and who lived with Herod's family. But Herod either went to

hear John or John heard of Herod, and John, on the subject of Herod's matrimonial situation, and submitted thereon what great Robertson of Louisville would have called "a few feeble remarks." John figuratively and perhaps literally shook his finger under Herod's nose and called Herod what he was.

Of course Herod knew John spoke the truth and, no doubt, admired John for his frankness, while he feared the effect of the scourging whip-lash of John's words. And her majesty (?), Mrs. Herodias, what of her? She had left her husband to be the consort of a king, and she was bent on maintaining that position. Any danger, therefore that John might cause her to be set aside, sent her into a boiling rage. For this reason she hated John with such a vengeance as to lead her to search her mind for means of putting him out of the way. At length her chance came and she made use of it.

I doubt if she ever regretted what she did, but it was otherwise with Herod. His drunken deed left him a victim of fear. But what Herod feared was not the consequence of having grieved a good God, but what might befall of punishment to Herod. That he was remorseful upon occasion I can very easily believe, but do not think he ever repented. He richly deserves to go to hell for his other many misdeeds, but to them all he added to staining of his hands with the lifeblood of John. Herod died the victim of a Godless, hopeless fear. But we have spent too much time in his loathsome company. I'm sore sick!

III. THE FEAR OF THE DISCIPLES AND ITS CURE

It is not an accident that I skip the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. Its meaning is so profoundly rich that it would take many times the space I can devote to this article to give an adequate treatment to it. I pass you to the story of the storm and the disciple who actually walked on the water.

Our Lord had constrained the disciples to enter their boat and start across the lake, while He had gone into the woods on the hillside to pray. While He was praying and the disciples were rowing the boat on their five or six mile voyage across the lake, a sudden storm swooped down from the side of the lake they were approaching and, in the teeth of that storm and against the buffeting contrary waves, they began to be beaten back toward the shore which they had left. They no doubt rowed that boat with the fury of a growing despair. They did not have the Lord along and the boat was not built to live in such a storm. I get to wondering if they thought of the Lord at all or, if at all, whether they might not have said to themselves like a bunch of children, "Oh, Yeah! He got us into this mess, but He left us in to shift for ourselves. He might at least have come along with us to help us in our trouble."

Back on the wooded hillside you may be sure their Lord was thinking of them and loving them with an understanding love. It was when they were well-nigh exhausted and approaching utter despair that He

Youths Participate In Building Fund Contest



Rev. James H. Fairchild, pastor of the First Church at Louisville, is presenting inspirational books of appropriate reading for each age group to junior, intermediate and young people winners in a contest on HOW I CAN HELP BUILD OUR CHURCH. Presentation was made at the morning service Sunday, Nov. 30. Left to right they are: Bobby Thompson, Mary Lou Holder, Jean Landrum, M. Fairchild, Billy Hood and Faye McCully.

The youth of the First Church, the weekly First Baptist News.

Louisville, eagerly participated in poster and essay contests, as a part of the building fund emphasis, pointing to November 30, Building Fund Day.

Juniors and Intermediates made posters on the subject, How I Can Help Build Our Church. Members of the Young People's Department wrote essays on the same subject.

Much ingenuity, originality and hard work were displayed in the finished products. At the morning worship service Sunday, November 30, the pastor, Rev. James Fairchild, made awards to the first place winners and read the names of those receiving honorable mention. Posters were displayed over the auditorium of the church and the winning essays will appear in

came to them. Is not that the time He comes in His most gracious manner? just when our perplexities and baffling problems have pushed us to the very brink of the abyss of despair?

When He came they did not recognize Him. And does that fact not also have counterpart in our own lives over and again? He comes in the rich bestowment of His grace, and we do not recognize Him.

They, the disciples, thought what they saw was a ghost, and they cried aloud for fear. There came to them on the wind the voice of their Master, "It is I! Do not be afraid." It just had to be Brother Peter to speak for Doubting Thomas. "If it is you, Lord, permit me to walk on the water to you." "Come on to Me." And Peter went, and he walked on the water. Put that to Peter's credit! and next time you think of telling off on Peter, remember that he did something you never did, or any mortal. He walked on the water. Why? For a moment or so he looked unto Him whose love casts out all fear, and Peter trusted Him. But Peter began, as he drew away from the boat to "look two ways," and the lowering frown of the clouds, the shimmer and sheen, the glimmer and gleam of the lightning frightened him. But the Christ who always will do it calmed both Peter's fear and the fury of the storm.

Winners were: Junior Department No. 1, Billy Hood, first place; Peggy Chappell, Ann Clark and Linda Hunt, honorable mention: Junior Department No. 2, Faye McCully, first place; Kay McCully, Patty Stevens, Nancy Gail Turner, Bobby Joe Triplett, honorable mention: Intermediate department a tie between Bobby Thompson and Mary Lou Holder for first place; Jeanette Taylor and Joan Cullens, honorable mention: Young People's Department, tie between Miss Jean Landrum and Mrs. Bobby Ellis for first place; Miss Dorothy Hammond and Miss Barbara McQueen, honorable mention.

Inspirational books of appropriate reading for each age group were given as first place awards.

Bringing this emphasis into the homes through the young people perhaps was partly responsible for the Building Fund Offering November 30, surpassing all previous Building Fund Day contributions.

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A Southern Baptist In Australia

(Part IV of four parts)

BY JAMES W. McCLENDON

"Suppose there were young Southern Baptist preachers who wanted to come to Australia and put into practice in new churches some of the methods that have proved successful at home. Would they be welcome?" This was the question I put to A. L. Leeder, the dignified old gentleman, graduate of Spurgeon's College in London, who is the secretary of the Baptist Union of New South Wales. The answer he gave was a qualified, "Yes". Such a man would have to pay his own passage out. He would have to be prepared to support himself by secular work while he made a beginning in some new area. He would have to be prepared to accept a lower standard of living, a lower scale of preacher's pay, a lower standing in his community, than he could expect at home. He would have to expect many obstacles to rapid progress. But if these conditions were met, Australian Baptists would welcome trained and qualified American preachers to share their task of opening up some of the many unchurched areas of the country.

There is a great deal which Australians could learn from Southern Baptists, in this and other ways. But that learning should not by any means be all in one direction, for there is much that we can learn from them.

We could learn something about giving to missions. Australian Baptists are giving, proportionately, 5 to 10 times as much as Southern Baptists to foreign missions. One church, with less than 400 members gave 1200 pounds (2700) to foreign missions alone last year. The Baptist people of Australia are foreign-mission minded. They are trained from childhood to give to missions, to pray for missions, to go as missionaries.

We could learn something about the meaning of church membership from them. A man is not a member of an Australian Baptist church five minutes after he decided to join. After he applies for membership, he must meet with a committee of the church, give evidence of his conversion, show that he understands what he is doing, and tell the committee how he feels about systematic giving, what he intends to do about attending the services, and what place of service he would like to take in the church. I found that a certain percentage of those who asked for membership never came to meet the committee. Of those who did come, the overwhelming majority went on to become useful, active, contributing members. On the other hand, when a member failed to remain active, he was called upon, and if he could not be restored to reasonable activity, he was removed from membership.

We could learn something about maintaining a devotional life. Most of my church members maintained daily family prayer. Recently the Australian Baptist carried a series of articles on the Holy Spi-

rit, Christian home life, the meaning of church membership, the place of music in worship, stewardship, evangelism, etc. These were reprinted, and studied in pamphlet form by groups in the churches in observance of New Life Week, the emphasis being upon the place of the Spirit of God in the Christian Life.

On the other hand, Australians could learn much from Southern Baptists. For all their loyalty to the Bible and to Christ, they are not growing as Baptists should. Selected young Australian ministers ought to be brought to our Southern Baptist seminaries for specialized training in religious education, church music, and theology. This could readily be done if Baptists of means would underwrite their expenses while in this country. Without such help, it would be almost impossible.

The Australians know more about us than we know about them. But they have only the haziest ideas of our Sunday Schools, Training Unions, church choirs, adult and youth training programs, and promotional methods. When I showed some of our literature to intelligent pastors there, they were amazed and impressed. One of them said, "If only some church in the South would roll up a selection of its used literature from time to time and mail it to us, I could let our Sunday School teachers and Christian Endeavour leaders look at it, and learn some of your ideas." These churches do not want our money—though they have little, they would rather we gave to missions. But the alert among them are yearning to share some of the ideas and methods that have enabled Southern Baptists to grow and progress.

I suggested to that pastor that we might find for him and for others "sister" churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, a church in our convention pairing off with a church in Australia. These churches could exchange literature and ideas, their men's and women's groups could exchange programs, they could pray for one another's revival efforts, the children could find pen pals, and the pastors might exchange books, and even, some day, exchange pulpits for a period. He responded warmly to the idea.

I believe Southern Baptists have an obligation in Australia. Here is a vast area similar in many ways to our own. Most of its people are lost. Mormons, Pentecostals, and Seventh Day Adventists, backed by American men and money, are making a bid for Australia. Already in the field are the Baptists, orthodox, loyal to the Bible, evangelistic, but limited in size, partly because of lack of knowledge and methods. They are beginning to look to Southern Baptists more than to any other group for inspiration and example. How we respond may determine their future.

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W. J. SHOEMAKER

W. J. Shoemaker died at his Bay Springs home Oct. 3. At his bedside were Mrs. Shoemaker, a son Wayne Shoemaker and wife; her three sisters, his pastor and others near and dear to the family. He would have been 77 on Nov. 2.

Mr. Shoemaker was converted and joined the Antioch Baptist Church at the age of 19, and ever after was always faithful in the service of his Lord, his greatest delight.

He served the Bay Springs Baptist Church in the capacity of teacher of the men's Bible class, Sunday school superintendent, clerk for 31 years and had been a deacon 35 years, being chairman emeritus at the time of his death, so named because of being almost an invalid for two years. He was Jasper county Association's Convention Board member for two terms.

In Bay Springs he was owner and editor of the Jasper County News 17 years, served the town as mayor, city board member and on the school board many years. He was county supt. of education one term, taught in the county schools and had been welfare agent several years when declining health forced his retirement. He received his B. A. degree from Mississippi College.

Funeral services were held in the Bay Springs Baptist Church with his pastor, Dr. Cecil Jones, in charge assisted by Rev. J. L. Hughes, and Dr. J. E. Wills of Newton with interment in the city cemetery.

Surviving other than those mentioned are a brother, A. E. Shoemaker, Ellisville, six sisters, Mrs. Emma Massey and Mrs. C. J. McKenzie, Tralake, Mrs. W. J. Dear, Bay Springs, Miss Lottie of Denver, Colo., Miss Hattie of Cheyenne, Wyoming and Mrs. W. C. Williamson, Oakvale.

His life will continue to be an inspiration and challenge to those who knew him best. He lives on.

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The Ohio State Liquor Department has just issued what it believes to be the first permanent beer and wine permit to a church—the St. John Cantius Roman Catholic Church. The beer and wine will be sold in the church's recreation building where there are 12 bowling alleys, according to reports. It will not be open to the general public which is the only commendable thing about the whole setup.

King James Version Used By Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —BP—"The Baptist Sunday School Board plans to continue use of the King James Version as the basic text in all its publications," according to a joint statement released by Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary, Baptist Sunday School board and Dr. Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary for the Board. "The blessing of God has been upon this Version, so that it has brought light and life, faith and consolation, direction and inspiration and strength, to countless millions of people."

The men also said that the Baptist Sunday School Board is always anxious to answer questions

about its literature and various publications.

"The Scriptures, inspired by the Holy Spirit, were first written in Hebrew and Greek by holy men of God in the long ago. The King James Version is a translation of God's Word. Had the Scriptures not been translated, most of us would not be able to read them. It is surely God's will that His Word be translated into all languages and that it be translated into the common language of succeeding generations.

"Baptists believe in the Bible, and they stand for its widest possible distribution. God grant this blessing to America!"

Newspaper Warns Against 'Commercializing' Christmas

DURHAM, N. C. —(RNS)—A warning that "increasing commercialization of Christmas" imperils the spiritual significance of the essentially religious holiday was sounded editorially here by the Durham Morning Herald.

Noting that the Durham Ministerial Association "is properly giving the matter its attention," the daily paper warned that there is danger of religion becoming identified with the commercial aspects of Christmas observance without in the least lessening its commercialization.

"A word of caution concerning the religious emphasis is in order," the editorial said. "Some aspects of religious emphasis . . . may tend to make some of the Christmas observance tawdry by associating it in the popular mind with the commercial aspects.

"It requires no unusually vivid

imagination to see that an over-emphasis upon religious scenes in floats and store windows can make them cheap and rob them of their real significance. The continuing repetition of the beautiful manger scene in floats in Christmas parades will soon make it as meaningless as the emphasis upon Santa Claus has made meaningless a character who could be a much more attractive and significant figure.

"The portrayal of the Holy Family, the shepherds and the magi in store window after store window inevitably will associate them in the popular mind not with the birth of the Savior but with the sale of Christmas gifts and the hurly-burly of Christmas shopping.

"The sensitive soul shudders at the mere thought of hearing 'Silent Night, Holy Night' blared from loud speakers."

Baptists Invited To Hold Joint Session In Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The District of Columbia Baptist Convention has invited the Southern Baptist Convention and the American (Northern) Baptist Convention to hold a joint session here in 1955.

A resolution to this effect was adopted by the convention at its 76th annual meeting here. It said that the nation's capital is an ideal site for such a meeting, with friendly relations existing in the local community between Baptist churches with Northern and Southern affiliation.

The convention, in another resolution, reaffirmed its belief in the separation of church and state and pledged support to "the public schools of America which assure every child an education, regardless of race, creed, or financial status."

"We consider all efforts to divert tax money from the public schools to private property, through the providing of books, free bus service, or any other governmental subsidy for religious institutions, to be in violation of the principles of our United States Constitution."

Clarke College Observes Mission Emphasis Week

Clarke Memorial College, Newton, Mississippi, had its first Mission Emphasis Week Dec. 1-5. The purpose of the week was to influence the students and the faculty know God's will for him in the mission enterprise and not be satisfied with doing anything less than a God's will.

Services were at 8:15 a. m. and at seven in the evening when various missionaries spoke. They were available for personal conferences throughout the day.

The outside speakers of the week were: Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Robertson, missionaries to Nigeria; Rev. James Fairchild, pastor, First Church, Louisville and former missionary to Brazil; Rev. J. E. Wills, retired missionary to China and former pastor of Newton Church; Rev. Albert I. Bagby, missionary to Brazil; Rev. James A. Clarke, missionary to Nigeria; and Rev. Fred A. McCaulley, Western Representative of the Home Mission Board.